

## Message Text

PAGE 01 STATE 001496

13

ORIGIN SS-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 /011 R

DRAFTED BY S/S-O: NAGAO/SEGARS

APPROVED BY S/S-O: ELTZ

----- 016667

O 041212Z JAN 74

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO JCS/SECDEF

CIA IMMEDIATE

WHITE HOUSE IMMEDIATE

S E C R E T STATE 001496

EXDIS-DOD HANDLE AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR SECDEF

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR

SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

### 1. SECURITY COUNCIL MAY MEET ON SUPPLY CONVOY BLOCKAGE

UN ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL URQUHART HAS INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT THAT EGYPTIAN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE MEQUID HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO CALL AN IMMEDIATE MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ISRAELI BLOCKING OF SUPPLY CONVOYS TO THE EGYPTIAN THIRD ARMY. THE CONVOYS REPORTEDLY HAVE BEEN BLOCKED FOR TWO DAYS AND THE ISRAELIS HAVE INDICATED THAT THE REASON IS EGYPTIAN FIRING ON ISRAELI MILITARY ELEMENTS. URQUHART BELIEVES A MEETING WILL BE CALLED IF IT BECOMES CLEAR BY THE MORNING OF JANUARY 4 THAT ISRAEL HAS AGAIN BLOCKED THE CONVOY. (SECRET) STATE 1492, 1/4 (EXDIS).

### 2. KEHNE VISIT TO INDIA BRINGS COLD COMFORT

EMBASSY NEW DELHI REPORTS THAT THE CONSULTATIONS OF OPEC SECRETARY GENERAL KEHNE WITH INDIAN OFFICIALS HAVE BROUGHT NO CONCRETE HELP TO INDIA FOR COPING WITH THE FOREIGN

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 STATE 001496

EXCHANGE BIND CREATED BY THE TEHRAN PRICE DECISION. THE BEST OFFER THE INDIANS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RECEIVE FROM

KEHNE IS THE POSSIBILITY OF A FUTURE ARRANGEMENT FOR PARTIAL FINANCING OF OIL IMPORTS. THE EMBASSY COMMENTS THAT IF INDIA'S FAITHFUL SUPPORT FOR ARAB FOREIGN POLICY IS GOING TO HAVE A PAYOFF IN THE OPEC, IT IS YET TO COME. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) NEW DELHI 110, 1/4.

### 3. ECUADOR SEEKS IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH US

THE ECUADOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER AND OTHER GOE OFFICIALS HAVE EXPRESSED TO EMBASSY QUITO THE VIEW THAT NOW IS THE TIME TO MAKE CONCRETE MOVEMENTS TOWARDS ESTABLISHING BETTER RELATIONS WITH THE US. THE MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION IN A CABINET MEETING DECEMBER 21 WAS ARMS PURCHASES, WITH PRESIDENT RODRIQUEZ EXPRESSING A STRONG PREFERENCE FOR US EQUIPMENT, AND IN THIS CONTEXT BETTERMENT OF RELATIONS BECAME THE CENTRAL THEME. ALTHOUGH THE ECUADOREAN CABINET HAD ENTERTAINED THE QUESTION OF USING OIL AS A LEVER, A UNANIMOUS REJECTION OF THIS IDEA WAS LED BY RESOURCE MINISTER JARRIN. (CONFIDENTIAL) QUITO 44, 1/3. (EXDIS).

### 4. CHIANG TAKES SOVIET APPROACH SERIOUSLY

EMBASSY TAIPEI REPORTS THAT REPUBLIC OF CHINA (ROC) PREMIER CHIANG CLEARLY TREATS THE MOSCOW CONVERSATIONS OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR CHANG AS A SERIOUS SOVIET OVERTURE. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES, HOWEVER, THAT CHIANG WILL PUBLICLY RESTATE HIS POSITION THAT THE ROC WILL NOT HAVE RELATIONS WITH USSR, WHILE CONTINUING TO MAINTAIN A COVERT CONTACT AS HE HAS IN THE PAST. IT ALSO BELIEVES CHIANG IS SEEKING A US REACTION AND FEELS THE USG SHOULD STATE ONLY THAT IT UNDERSTANDS THE ROC POSITION. THE EMBASSY SEES THE SOVIET APPROACH AS MOSCOW'S BOILING THE WATERS A BIT TO SEE WHAT SORT OF FISH RISE TO THE SURFACE. (SECRET) TAIPEI 35, 1/4 (EXDIS).

### 5. SOME HARDENING OF POSITIONS IN GENEVA

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 03 STATE 001496

GENERAL SIILASVUO DETECTED SOME HARDENING OF POSITIONS ON BOTH SIDES IN THE THIRD MEETING OF EGYPTIAN AND ISRAELI DELEGATES OF THE MILITARY WORKING GROUP IN GENEVA JANUARY 2. HE IS CONCERNED THAT THE NEGOTIATING ATMOSPHERE WILL BEGIN TO DETERIORATE UNLESS THE PARTIES CAN GET DOWN TO SPECIFICS SOON. NEITHER SIDE REACTED TO SIILASVUO'S GENTLE PRODDING OF THE PARTIES TO BEGIN DISCUSSING SPECIFICS. THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THE AFTERNOON OF JANUARY 4. (SECRET) GENEVA 0020, 1/3 (EXDIS).

6. ISRAELI VOTING TRENDS SHOW RELATIVE STABILITY

WITH 1.2 MILLION OF THE 1.55 MILLION VOTES CAST IN THE ISRAELI PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION COUNTED, EMBASSY TEL AVIV'S PROJECTION OF SEATS IN THE NEW KNESSET REMAINS ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED. ALTHOUGH THE WAR HELPED IMPROVE THE LIKUD'S KNESSET STRENGTH, IT STILL LACKS SUFFICIENT SEATS TO CONSTITUTE AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE LABOR ALIGNMENT. THE POWER OF THE NATIONAL RELIGIOUS PARTY AND THE INDEPENDENT LIBERALS HAS INCREASED AS A RESULT OF LABOR LOSSES AND THE EMBASSY ANTICIPATES THE LABOR PARTY WILL BE FACED WITH DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS IN ORDER TO REACH A COALITION AGREEMENT. NEVERTHELESS, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES MRS. MEIR HAS REASONABLY GOOD PROSPECTS OF FORMING A NEW GOVERNMENT. (CONFIDENTIAL) TEL AVIV 00042, 1/3.

7. TANAKA HOPES TO IMPROVE JAPAN'S IMAGE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

ACCORDING TO JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE SOURCES, PRIME MINISTER TANAKA WILL ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE JAPAN'S IMAGE OF EXCESSIVE ECONOMIC SELF-INTEREST DURING HIS TOUR OF SOUTHEAST ASIA JANUARY 7-17. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES TANAKA WILL WORK TO SOLIDIFY RELATIONS AND THEREBY HELP ASSURE JAPAN'S ACCESS TO RESOURCES, MARKETS, AND INVESTMENT POSSIBILITIES PARTICULARLY IN INDONESIA AND THAILAND. THE TOUR WILL TAKE PLACE AGAINST A BACKDROP OF GROWING ANTI-JAPANESE SENTIMENT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND HIGHLIGHTS JAPANESE ANXIETIES OVER OBTAINING RESOURCES. (CONFIDENTIAL) TOKYO 0027, 1/3. KISSINGER

SECRET

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 27 JUL 1999  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** REPORTS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 04 JAN 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** golinofr  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974STATE001496  
**Document Source:** ADS  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** S/S-O: NAGAO/SEGARS  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** 11652 GDS  
**Errors:** n/a  
**Film Number:** P750004-1942  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19740174/abbrzbop.tel  
**Line Count:** 140  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, TEXT ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ORIGIN SS  
**Original Classification:** SECRET  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** SECRET  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** golinofr  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 03 JUN 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <03 JUN 2002 by boyleja>; APPROVED <18 DEC 2002 by golinofr>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS  
**TAGS:** PFOR  
**To:** JCS SECDEF  
CIA  
WHITE HOUSE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005